

ISB GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC SECTOR LAWYERS SECTION
MINUTES
February 12, 2010
12:00 P.M., ISB Law Center

1) Old Business

- a) **Minutes from January meeting** – reviewed and accepted as prepared.
- b) **Update on Advocate Sponsorship** – The Section will be sponsoring the June/July 2010 issue. The deadline for the submission of articles will be in March 2010. The theme will be litigation in the public sector. Proposed articles so far include the new Open Meeting law and the need for a code of conduct for administrative hearing officers. Paul Fitzer will submit an article about recent developments in land use law. Articles are due in early March.

2) New Business

- a) **Upcoming CLE Topics/Speakers** – TBA, depending on availability of speakers – see “Post Script” under Meeting Times below.
- b) **Contribution – Partners Against Domestic Violence** – defer decision until June meeting. Contingent on the Section’s mid-year financial standing.
- c) **Annual Meeting Presentation** – although there was some discussion during the January meeting about the Section sponsoring a CLE session at this year’s annual meeting of the ISB, too few members are planning to attend. Considered adopting a policy of making presentations in alternating years.
- d) **Committee to Evaluate Hearing Officer Ethics** – Cheri Ruch is preparing an article for the *Advocate* on the need for a code of professional responsibility specifically for hearing officers in administrative hearings. The article will include an invitation to readers to contact the author for further information. If there is enough interest, the Section will form a committee to explore the matter and possibly draft a model code.
- e) **Meeting Times** – Because fiscal constraints have forced members of the attorney general’s office on furlough the second Friday of every month through the end of the fiscal year and possibly into next year, deputy AG’s who are members of our section asked whether the section could change its designated meeting date. Dave will inquire. **Post Script:** *after the meeting adjourned, Dave inquired of other meeting dates. Future meetings of the Government and Public Sector Lawyers Section will be held on the first Thursday of every month at 12:00 noon. Dave will contact Laura Chess to see what impact this change will have on the schedule of planned CLE speakers for meetings in March, April, May, and June.*
- f) **Tort Claim Act CLE** – Laura Chess has arranged for Lynette McHenry to do a presentation on September 29, 2010, 8:30-10:30 a.m. The session will be open to the bar for a fee and will be broadcast over the web.

Meeting adjourned

T. Hethe Clark of Spink Butler conducted a CLE on recent Idaho Supreme Court cases interpreting zoning and land use issues.

Next Business Meeting (and CLE?)– March 4, 2010